decades, serving Degana, Khatu; Did-wana, Ladenun, Sujangarh and Ra-
tangarh; ....

(b) if so, whether the said train has since been withdrawn;

(c) whether there is no metre gauge mail train left now with AC II, I class, sleeper class and II class coaches between Degana and Delhi for the thousands of people using (he said railway stations;

(d) if so, whether Government propose to introduce a metre gauge mail train between Degana and Delhi in place of the withdrawn Jodhpur Mail; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. *K*.. JAFFER SHARIEF):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. The train has been diverted to run via Phulera, Ajmer and Marwar.

(cf Yes, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Broad Gauge Mandore Express introduced between Delhi and Jodhpur w.e.f. 12-3-95 is providing a direct service between Degana and Delhi. Besides, a Metre Gauge through coach is also being run between the two places by 4709|2DR-1 DR 14710 trains.

Consumption of Wheels and Axles

3721. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 554 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 15th March. 1995 and state:

(a) the quantity of comsumption of Wheels and Axles in our country per annum: and

(b) the procurement order of wheels and axles given to Durgapur Steel Plant during the year 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) The requirement of Wheels and Axles of Indian Railways is need based and hence varies from year to year. 96,021 Wheels and 33,677 Axles were procured for meeting 1994-95 requirements.

(b) After modernisation of their wheel forging unit, Durgapur Steel Plain commenced supply of wheels only from Sept., 1993. They could supply a total of 12,491 wheels in 1993-94 against orders for about 17,000 wheels. In addition, they also supplied 3,6S6 Axles as per order.

रेलवे में तकनीकी और गैर-तकनीकीक्षेत्रों में कर्मचारियों की भर्ती

3722. श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान पश्चिमी रेलवे के अंतर्गत वडोदरा, सूरत, भरूच और पंचमहल स्टेशनों में तकनीकी और गैर तकनीकी क्षेत्रों में श्रेणी I, श्रेणी ii श्रेणी iii और श्रेणी iv, में भर्ती किये गये कर्मचारियों की संख्या क्या है और उनमें से कितने कर्मचारी अनुसूचित जातियों, अनुसूचित जनजातियों, और आदिवासी वर्गों से संबंधित थे;

(ख) अनुसूचित जातियों और अनुसूचित जनजातियों के लिए आरक्षित कोटे और इस भर्ती के द्वारा भरे गये आरक्षित कोटे का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) पूर्व आरक्षित कोटे को न भरे जाने के क्या कारण हैं;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने पूर्व कोटे को भरने के लिए कोई निदेश जारी किये हैं ; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ?